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FOR HALOGEN-CONTAINING POLYMERS"

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir,

Supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed for this application on July 21, 2003, applicant provides the Examiner with the following documents.

According to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), an Information Disclosure Statement shall be considered by the Office if filed after the mailing date of a Final Action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113, provided that the Information Disclosure Statement is filed on or before payment of the Issue Fee and is accompanied by (1) a statement specified in paragraph (e), and (2) the fee set forth in §1.17(p).

Applicant meets the §1.97(e)(1) requirement inasmuch as each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than 3 months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. As can be seen from the attached copy of PCT correspondence, the date of mailing was 11/3/03. The second requirement of section (d) is also met as the fee set forth in §1.17(p) is submitted herewith.

The following patents and/or documents, copies enclosed, which the Examiner should consider with respect to the above-identified United States Patent Application:

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The EP 0 945 484 A1 reference also listed in the PCT communication has already been considered by the Examiner as indicated by his signature on Form PTO-1449 dated 4/17/03. The Kornbaum references, U. S. Patent Nos. 4,412,897 and 4,616,046 were cited by the Examiner in the Office Action mailed 4/21/03.

Copies of the publications are included for the express purpose of providing the Patent and Trademark Office with an ample opportunity to evaluate the same and to arrive at an independent assessment of their materiality, if any, with regard to the examination of the application.

In reviewing the enclosed copies of the above publications, the Examiner is requested to ignore any underscoring or highlighting which may appear because such markings may or may not have any relationship to the subject matter of the above-identified application. The copies being submitted with this Information Disclosure Statement are the best copies available at this time.

An official action considering the enclosed items is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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